

SENATE BILL 3051
By Jackson

AN ACT to designate the Turney Center Gym the "Hunt Spence McClanahan Memorial Gym".

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should permanently commemorate the accomplishments of those sterling public servants who have served with the greatest acumen, integrity, and dedication; and

WHEREAS, no person is more deserving of special recognition than the late Hunt Spence McClanahan, who served as the first and only Recreation Director at Turney Center Industrial Prison and Farm; and

WHEREAS, during his exemplary 32-year tenure as the Recreation Director, Hunt Spence McClanahan was committed to the Turney Center Industrial Prison and Farm and the men he felt were truly his mission in life, and, in all those years, he never lost his enthusiasm for sports and for the physical and emotional benefits that athletics could provide to the men incarcerated at Turney Center; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McClanahan staunchly believed in the fellowship and joy of athletic competition, and he strove to foster that belief in everyone he encountered. In addition to his duties as Recreation Director, he organized and promoted intramural programs in several different sports, regularly lobbied the various administration and outside organizations for needed equipment, and arranged for outside sports teams to visit the prison and interact with the men in athletic competition; and

WHEREAS, Hunt Spence McClanahan also supervised and promoted the Music Club, an organization which brings professional and amateur musicians together to play and sing. True to his character, Mr. McClanahan worked tirelessly to encourage many people to donate instruments and equipment to the club; and

WHEREAS, Hunt Spence McClanahan was truly one of the most dedicated public servants that Turney Center Industrial Prison and Farm and the State of Tennessee have ever

known, and his bountiful life and purpose and commitment to the greater good should be appropriately commemorated; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Turney Center Gym at Turney Center Industrial Prison and Farm is hereby designated the "Hunt Spence McClanahan Gym" as a lasting tribute to one of this state's most gifted public servants.

SECTION 2. Within existing resources, the Department of Correction shall erect suitable signs or affix suitable markers designating such edifice as the "Hunt Spence McClanahan Gym".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.